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## It's A Texas Fact!

You've heard the saying,  
"Everybody talkin' 'bout  
Heaven ain't goin' there!"  
Well, likewise, everybody  
wantin' to come to Texas ain't  
going there: The State Could-  
n't Hold'em All! This is the  
FIRST and LAST time we'll  
ever admit Texas isn't BIG  
enough to handle ANY job!

G E M S ..

" A SONG OF LOVE "

Guard it ever faithful,  
Hold it ever fast;  
'Tis the only treasure  
That will ever last!

Be your heart its garden--  
Your tenderness its shade;  
'Tis the only flower  
That will never fade!  
Keep its rapture singing--  
Let all else go by;  
'Tis the only music  
That will never die!

Follow it, though rugged  
Be the path, and strange;  
'Tis the only beauty  
That will never change!  
Follow it the moment  
Cupid gives it birth;  
'Tis the only Heaven  
You will find on earth!  
---Archibald Rutledge

## FHA Observes "Achievement Day" At State Fair Oct. 9.

About 5,000 persons assembled in the new live-stock judging pavillion October 9 to take part in the annual Achievement Day ceremonies put on by the Farmers Home Administration in cooperation with the Texas State Fair Association. Guest speakers were Mr. Dillard B. Lasseter, FHA National Administrator, who introduced Senator Lyndon B. Johnson, who made the main address. Also introduced for a short speech was Speaker of the House Sam Rayburn.

Mr. Lasseter reviewed briefly the work of the Farmers Home Administration, skipping lightly over the part he has played in making it one of the most respected agencies in the Federal government. "You folks out there have done the work," he stated mod-  
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## Scope of PMA Drouth Aid to Farmers Enlarged.

With more Texas counties receiving or slated to receive aid under PMA's drouth disaster feed program the Texas PMA personnel in the designated counties are buckling down to take care of the expected deluge of calls from drouth-stricken farmers seeking federally-subsidized livestock feed for the winter months ahead. W.W. Farmer, Dallas County administrative officer estimates the program for Dallas County alone will take about 2,500 tons of hay which will become available the latter part of November. The PMA-administered drouth-aid program differs from FHA's direct-loan drouth aid in that needy farmers certified as eligible are enabled to purchase the needed livestock feed at a considerable discount as compared to the same feed on the open market.



## USDA MEMBERS ANSWER CALL

The editor has a report from John Bolish, Club President, which indicates that USDA members have again responded nobly to the annual call of the Community Chest. As of October 15 the following USDA agencies have reported over-the-top quotas, and we feel sure that as we go to press more agencies will attain their goals:

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| FHA AREA EXAMINATION OFFICE..... | 132 % |
| FHA STATE OFFICE.....            | 129 % |
| FHA AREA FINANCE OFFICE.....     | 105 % |
| SOLICITOR'S OFFICE, USDA.....    | 101 % |

As it can be seen these offices exceeded their set quotas by 32, 29, 05, and 1 per cent, respectively. Team captains were, Area Examination, Robert C. Leary, recently transferred to the Dallas office from Washington; State Office, Tulane Smith; Finance Office, Clarence Fertsch; and Solicitor's Office, Lee Pierson. The last-named three need no introduction to USDA members. They are always to be found in the forefront of any worthwhile endeavor calling for a helping hand.

As long as USDA members respond to such drives in wholehearted fashion as evidenced this year they need not fear the criticism of the unthinking who lump all government workers together as "soul-less bureaucrats". Such civic consciousness as you have displayed in the Community Chest drive is your best answer to such unfair labels.

To the team captains, to President Bolish, and to each of you, the editor's congratulations for a good job.

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\* TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE USDA CLUB, AND TO EACH \*  
\* TEAM CAPTAIN AND UNIT CAPTAIN IN THE RECENT \*  
\* COMMUNITY CHEST DRIVE:- \*

\* I should like to express my appreciation \*  
\* to each of you for your fine response in \*  
\* the Community Chest drive. It is always a \*  
\* pleasure to be associated in such a worthy \*  
\* enterprise and your whole-hearted cooper- \*  
\* ation has made it doubly so this year. \*

\* /s/ John Bolish \*

\* Squad Captain \*

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Did You Know:-

.....That a new type of cotton bandage is elastic in both directions, and flexible enough to conform readily to body contours without restricting circulation or freedom of movement? Developed during World War II by the USDA Southern Regional Research Laboratory, the new bandages are being put into commercial production.

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## F H A ACHIEVEMENT DAY (Cont.)

estly, paying his respects to the FHA Supervisors and the 366 Texas farmers who were being honored for paying their FO loans 30 to 35 years ahead of schedule.

Other notables present on the speaker's platform were Congressman Wright Patman, John C. White, Texas Commissioner of Agriculture, E.B. Whitaker, field representative of Administrator Lasseter, and Paul Mansur, soil conservation authority.

Senator Lyndon Johnson, guest speaker, dwelled briefly on the USDA accomplishments of the past 20 years during which many deserving farm families have been helped by such USDA agencies as PMA, FHA, SCS, and REA to attain a healthier, happier, and more prosperous status. He pointed out that Texas farmers had been loaned over \$225,000,000 by FHA under the Bankhead-Jones Farm Ownership Act. "And despite doleful predictions," said the Senator, "the farmer is paying back his loans. He spoke warmly on the administration of the FHA program commending by inference L.J. Cappleman, Texas State Director, and O.N. Spung, Area

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STAND BY FOR THE NEW USDA  
CLUB DIRECTORY! OUT SOON!

### FHA ACHIEVEMENT DAY (Con't.)

Finance Manager, as well as visiting State Directors Highfill, Ozbirn, and Spencer, from neighboring Arkansas, Oklahoma, and Louisiana.

Administrator Lasseter confirmed Senator Johnson's statement on loan payments in his speech of introduction. "This group," he said, referring to FHA, "turned back more money to the Federal treasury than it took out during the last year. Our assets were not dissipated, but increased."

Two of the honor farm families were interviewed by Murray Cox of WFAA and "Doc" Ruhmann of WBAP. They were Mr. and Mrs. Walter J. Sieber of Arp, Smith County, and Mr. and Mrs. Eulice Farrar of Gomez, Terry County. Mr. Farrar and Mr. Seiber obtained their FO loans the same year and both paid out 34 years ahead of the maturity date.

Ben J. Garitty of the Texas State office was in charge of arrangements for Achievement Day. State Director L.J. Capplemenn presided. W.M. Burkes, Chief of the FO Division made the presentation of certificate awards to the farmer honorees. The ceremonies reflected careful preparation of the highest order.

### MEMBERS ARE URGED TO JOIN THE U.S. SAVINGS BOND-PAYROLL DEDUCTION PROGRAM.

USDA Club members are reminded that now is a good time to join the payroll savings plan whereby a part of your salary is deducted each payday to be paid on the purchase of a U.S. Savings Bond. With heavier expenses of the coming winter months in prospect it will help each one to weather the financial blizzard of bills, as well as set a pattern of saving for the years ahead.

Here are some of the attractive features of such a program:

Regardless of the size or scope of your participation in the plan it will help you meet your saving requirements. The bonds, backed by the U.S. treasury, are unexcelled for safety and strength over the years, with almost absolute certainty of return, barring the destruction of the U.S. government itself. In that case nothing else will be of much use or value to you.

They are readily convertible into cash should the need arise, without market loss, thus providing a high degree of liquidity. Interest on these bonds are more attractive than ever before with upward revisions being made recently in both yields to maturity and intermediate yields should you cash them in before full maturity date. You may also purchase more of them annually than formerly.

You should consider one more angle, also. In helping yourself to greater financial security you are helping your government two-fold: by becoming a more substantial citizen in your ability to contribute to the welfare of your community, and by lending to your government some of the money it must borrow to meet its own commitments. From the governmental point of view it is better to borrow a little from many than a lot from a few. This diffuses its repayment burden just as it would in your own case.

Plan your savings program and stick to your plan. Join the government payroll savings plan!

IT MAKES SENSE,

AND SAVES DOLLARS!

Q U I T E S

"Few government agencies can show such proof of their value as yours. The evidence is there for all to see on every side of our country roads... A greater number of sturdy, well-kept houses than ever before in history.....well tended fields..."

JOHN C. WHITE, State Commissioner of Agriculture in a speech made to 400 Texas FHA Supervisors and State personnel in their annual meeting in Dallas, October 10.



## RECENT USDA CLUB PARTY WAS ONE OF CLUB'S BEST.

Hats off to our Committee on Personal Acquaintance of which Judge Lee Pierson is Chairman, for the enjoyable time shown us at our second USDA Club party of the year held last month at Eubank's Place.

Featured on the program was Johnny Milnor, TV cowboy singer with his guitar. This was his second appearance and club members enjoyed his songs and yodeling as much as they did the first time. R.N. Richardson, who has quite a reputation for making our parties a success, and who worked hard on this one, has been Johnny's sponsor on both occasions.

Morton's Potato Chip Company furnished an entertaining magician's act which kept the crowd in suspense and highly entertained.

Judge Pierson was toastmaster and accompanied his introductions with his usual amusing and clever remarks characteristic of his personality.

Dancing followed the program which ended about 9:00 p.m. An overflow crowd attended but genial host Eubank took care of all nicely.

With John W. Bolish, Club President, in over-all charge it was generally agreed that the party was one of the best the USDA Club has sponsored. Two very worthwhile door prizes were given away. Roy A. Hutchinson, of PMA, winning the first prize of a country cured ham, while E.E. Dennard, also of PMA, took down second prize, a Bellville turkey hen.

Mildred Yeager was hostess for the party.

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### "HE CANNOT READ HIS TOMBSTONE!"

If with pleasure you are viewing

Any work a man is doing,

If you like him or you love him, tell him now!

Don't withhold your approbation

Till the parson makes oration

And he lies with snow-white lilies on his brow.

Makes no difference how you shout it,

He won't really care about it—

He won't know how many teardrops you have shed.

If you think some praise is due him,

Now's the time to slip it to him—

For he cannot read his tombstone when he's dead!

More than fame and more than money,

Is the comment kind and sunny,

And the hearty warm approval of a friend;

Don't be stingy with your praise--

You will find it surely pays,

For tomorrow may bring sorrow—and the end.

If he earns your smile bestow it,

If you like him let him know it,

Let the words of true encouragement be said!

Do not wait till life is over

And he's underneath the clover,

For he cannot read his tombstone when he's dead!

--Dwight L. Lewelling

## USDA CLUB SECRETARY MOVES

Evelyn Weedin, our pretty and popular Club Secretary, has transferred from PMA Area Personnel to the Food Distribution Branch. It might be said it was a case of each meeting the other half way. Recently the Food Distribution moved from the Norman Building to the more familiar 1114 Commerce, and now Evelyn moves from the Interurban Building to join them there. The transfer didn't involve any change in her boss' first name. It's still "John".

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### \*\* FOR SALE \*\*

4 rooms household furniture complete. Among the many bargains is one 11 cubic-foot Frigidaire, used only 3 months. Cost new: \$360.00 now \$250.00

EVERYTHING ELSE APPROXIMATELY 50 % off.

Contact Evelyn Weedin,  
Telephone, Wo-4044.

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There is no connection between the two items above.

...--The editor.

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### WANTED TO BUY

A Child's Backyard  
playhouse.

Anne Morrow, EXT. 2264

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### Did You Know--

....That the King James version of the Bible contains 3,586,489 letters, 773,690 words, and 31,173 verses; 1189 chapters and 66 books. The word "reverend" appears once?